

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report 2020

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This is your annual Water Quality Report for the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. Each year the Village issues this report to provide you information about the quality of our drinking water, the source of our water, how it is treated and the regulated compounds it contains. These reports are issued in compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act. For more detailed information about our water's quality, please contact the Village at 847-634-9440 or our Consultant, Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Inc at 847-478-9700.

Source of Drinking Water

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

The source of our water is ground water from two deep wells. The water is treated through filtration and ion exchange softening. We add sodium hypochlorite to disinfect the water before it enters the ground storage reservoir. The water is then pumped from the reservoir, into the water distribution system.

Results of the most recent water sample analysis following treatment may be found on pages 3 & 4 of this report. Raw water (before treatment) analysis data is available upon request.

Source Water Assessment

The source water assessment for this system has not yet been completed by the Illinois EPA. IEPA is required to complete source water assessments for all public water supplies. When this assessment becomes available, we will summarize the results and incorporate the information into future reports. To view a summary version of the completed Source Water Assessments, including:

- Importance of Source Water
- Susceptibility to Contamination Determination
- Documentation/recommendation of Source Water Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at:

<http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl>

Contaminants

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- **Microbial contaminants**, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- **Inorganic contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- **Pesticides and Herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
- **Organic chemical contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.
- **Radioactive contaminants**, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at: [\(800\) 426-4791](tel:8004264791)

Ensuring Safe Drinking Water

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population.

Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline [\(800\) 426-4791](tel:8004264791)

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline [\(800\) 426-4791](tel:8004264791) or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>

Understanding This Report

In order to help you understand this report, here are some abbreviations and definitions that may be contained in it.

AL: Action Level	The concentration of a contaminant which if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
ALG: Action Level Goal	The Level of a contaminant below which there is no known or expected health risk.
Avg: Average	Average
MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level	The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL's are set as close to MCLG's as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health.
MRDL: Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level	The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG: Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal	The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
N/A: Not Applicable	Not Applicable
PPM: Parts Per Million	Milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.
PPB: Parts Per Billion	Micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.
pCi/L: Picocuries Per Liter	A measure of radioactivity in drinking water.

Lead and Copper

Contaminant	Date	MCLG	AL	90 th Percentile	# of Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	2020	1.3	1.3	.255	0	PPM	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Lead	2020	0	15	4.9	0	PPB	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

Disinfectants and Disinfectant By-products

Contaminant	Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine	2020	1.41	.68 – 1.41	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	PPM	N	Water additive used to control microbes.
Total Trihalomethanes TTHM	2020	4	4.13 - 4.13		80	PPB	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.

Inorganic Contaminants

Contaminant	Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Barium	7/31/18	.0428	.0428 - .0428	2	2	PPM	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	7/31/18	.1	.1 - .1	4	4	PPM	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Sodium	7/31/18	39.2	39.2 – 39.2			PPM	N	Erosion from naturally occurring deposits. Used in water softener regeneration.

Radioactive Contaminants

Contaminant	Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Combined Radium 226/228	2020	4.06	4.06 – 4.06	0	5	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.
Gross Alpha Excluding radon and uranium	2020	5.38	5.38 – 5.38	0	15	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.

Violations Table

Consumer Confidence Rule			
Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
CCR Report	07/01/2020	09/02/2020	We failed to provide to you, our drinking water customers, an annual report that informs you about the quality of our drinking water and characterizes the risks from exposure to contaminants detected in our drinking water.
Actions Taken:	CCR was completed and delivered to customers by mail.		
Lead and Copper Rule			
Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
Lead Consumer Notice (LCR)	12/30/2020	01/14/2021	We failed to provide the results of lead tap water monitoring to the consumers at the location water was tested. These were supposed to be provided no later than 30 days after learning the results.
Actions Taken:	Results were mailed to the customers at the location where the water was tested.		